Washington, DC- Congressman Steve King released the following statement today after receiving the "Ethanol Champion" Award from Growth Energy. Growth Energy represents the producers and supporters of ethanol, and presents this award to members of Congress who have an excellent voting record on critical ethanol issues.

Congressman King receives "Ethanol Champion" Award from Chris Bliley, Growth Energy, Amanda Taylor, Iowa Corn Growers Association, Rick Schwarck, Absolute Energy, Lynn Phillips, POET - Coon Rapids, Guy Hartwig, Syngenta, Lucy Norton, Iowa Renewable Fuels Association, Kelly Hansen, POET Biorefining – Hanlontown.

"Last week I again had the privilege to shake the hand that pumped the first gallon of ethanol back in the '70's. We have come a long way since that first gallon. Congress has made some big decisions that helped open the doors for renewable fuels. Today, around 24% of the

domestically produced gallons pumped into our cars are from corn based ethanol. I am deeply honored to receive this award and look forward to many more successful years with our joint efforts and cooperation."